**Group Collaboration**

**Day 1 – Monday, February 7, 2011**

Dean: Hello Amy

7:39 PM me: Hi Dean and Steph!

and Don.

dpassena: Great job Stephanie.

stephaniecrump23: I like that essential question

7:43 PM Dean: Everyone should be receiving an email for the Diigo group.

7:44 PM dpassena: Here's what I have so far

Big Idea: Education and Literacy

7:45 PM Essential question:

How has technology affected literacy in education.

7:46 PM What do you think everyone?

7:47 PM Dean: Looks good to me

7:48 PM Can everyone get on the Diigo group?

7:49 PM dpassena: Yes im in Diigo.

7:50 PM stephaniecrump23@gmail.com has joined

7:52 PM stephaniecrump23: So with Diigo we can upload links to other websites for our students to use?

dpassena: We need the challenge. This should not be too specific there should be room for creativity.

stephaniecrump23: is it just a storage site for links or is there more to it?

7:54 PM Dean: I have always used it as a storage for sites. You can highlight and add notes and if you are in the group other members can chime in with their input.

stephaniecrump23: ok

7:55 PM should students have to create some kind of interactive reading project using web 2.0 tools

dpassena: It also includes a custom google search which get rid of a lot of junk sites

7:56 PM I posted a link to the Diigo group on the wiki

stephaniecrump23: Awesome

7:57 PM Dean: Alright the challenge. In the example the students were to put together an action plan, by accumulating lots of data is appears.

7:58 PM me: Sorry guys. I'll be back in 10. I'm still out and have been doing this through my phone.

stephaniecrump23: Ok Amy we'll talk to you soon

7:59 PM stephaniecrump23: I was thinking maybe have students marry the two areas and create a interactive reading using web2.0 tools

8:00 PM dpassena: It sounds good I'm still think about it. My brain is starting to hurt :D

8:01 PM stephaniecrump23: Yeah it is a lot ot think about and not a lot of time either lol

Dean: So would the students be creating a Wikispace? Similar to what we are doing?

8:02 PM stephaniecrump23: They could...I was just thinking they could pick any kind of reading material and use different web tools to give it depth and make it come alive

8:03 PM video tape reading, get background on history, add comments, create their own discussion boards...all sorts of things

I think it's something we want to leave open to them??

dpassena: I think the challenge could be create a program that would help stuggling students improve their reading scores.

8:04 PM stephaniecrump23: That could work

I think if one of our big ideas is technology though we would need to add that to the challenge?

8:05 PM Create a program to help struggling student improve their reading scores using technology

8:06 PM dpassena: I think something like that would work.

8:08 PM Dean: I like the idea as well. I am going to embed a Google Calender on the wiki, everyone should have received an invitation/notification.

8:09 PM dpassena: OK I will devise the proposal and sent it to everyone for feed back. It will give us time to process everything. Will have until Thursday to hand it in.

8:10 PM stephaniecrump23: Yeah I believe we also have another section of the project due on Sunday

8:11 PM dpassena: Yes we do, it is the wiki plus a lot of other stuff to do. Let me check it now.

8:12 PM stephaniecrump23: I think we just need to publish our technology stuff

8:17 PM dpassena: Wikispace wiki and Diigo are set up but we have more to do on those sites. That is due on Sunday. We will have to chat again perhaps on Thursday or Friday. I am gone all day Saturday.

8:18 PM stephaniecrump23: I put in two events in the calendar...can you guys see them?

8:19 PM Thursday is fine with me, I'm guessing the same time works for everyone

dpassena: You should be in Amy.

8:29 PM me So... I was just trying to catch up. It is not easy to read all of that stuff at once so if I'm repeating anything just ignore me and someone can fill me in later.

Dean: No problem

me: I am actually having my students create wikis right now in my class. It is really easy. Is that what we decided to do?

8:30 PM dpassena: We have a challenge. Create a program to help struggling student improve their reading scores using technology

Does it sound ok

8:32 PM Dean: I am looking at the stuff that is due on Sunday night,

dpassena: Amy? what do you think?

me: Sounds good. Very broad. That's good, right?

stephaniecrump23: It says something about a flow chart? I'm not sure what that is or how to go about doing that?

8:33 PM Your group should: (list of assignments due here)

Dean: I can create a mind map if everyone wants, I am just not sure what goes in.

me: Flow charts are reallty simple. Another word fro bubble charts

for

8:34 PM Dean: What artifacts are we sharing?

stephaniecrump23: I think that we each need to find articles and websites to share in diigo??

me: I can create the clow chart

8:35 PM flow

Dean: Got it.

me: For the record: I have a cast on my hand so my typing will suck for the next 4 weeks lol

stephaniecrump23: oh n owhat happened?

hah I have no excuse!

8:36 PM Dean: Well we have the Diigo group, the Wiki space, calender embedded,..

me: Lax injury from years ago. Nothing really big. Just a cyst that keeps coming back. Thanks for asking

8:37 PM I think it will be a lot easier right now if we split up some things... Like Dean will take care of the mind map for now, I can do the flow chart...

stephaniecrump23: I can finish up the calendar with all of the due dates for the project

me: Ok good.

stephaniecrump23: I don't think we need a mind map and a flow chart

Dean: I think the mind map and flowchart are the same things, our teacher

dpassena: I think some of the items are added on as we go. I can do bench marks and due dates

8:38 PM Dean: just said either.

me: Ohh Ok.

Let em check on what else i can do....

8:39 PM Dean: Amy if you are familiar with flowcharts and want to do that I can do something else, like research sites for the Diigo group

me: I can do the bibliography. I teach that so it will be pretty simple.

stephaniecrump23: Ok Don if you want to post the due dates on the calendar I can do some research

8:40 PM I already have a bunch of resources on literacy because of a new course I am teaching

me: Well I feel like research is something we will all need to do.

SO Dean, you can do the chart and as long as everyone keeps track of the sites they visit, I can do the Bib

stephaniecrump23: I can look through those and post them to the diigo for everyone to look at and see if they might be useful

8:41 PM dpassena: I have to go I have not eaten since 8:00 am and we start school at 7:15. I will be taking care of the proposal and dates. Should we meet again on Thursday or Firday. I will e-mail proposal. I can also do some research and post it.

8:42 PM me: Yes, Don that works. thank you.

Dean: Yeah thanks Don

stephaniecrump23: Ok thanks Don

8:43 PM me: I will also keep trac of our chats. We all have them in an email but I will make sure to keep them all in a folder for us.

stephaniecrump23: Do we need to keep track of these meetings?

If so we should just copy the chat and save it

hah you read my mind

8:44 PM me: Ha, ys I dd

Dean: Got it. I will do the mind map. Did anyone look at the example mind map?

stephaniecrump23: yes it was very small and hard to read

Dean: It is basically a flowchart of the project. Will we know all of our guiding activities and questions before Sunday?

8:45 PM stephaniecrump23: I guess we will have to

8:47 PM Dean: Well, anything else for this evening? Should we digest everything and arrange another chat through email?

stephaniecrump23: I think that sounds like a good idea!

8:50 PM me: See you then!